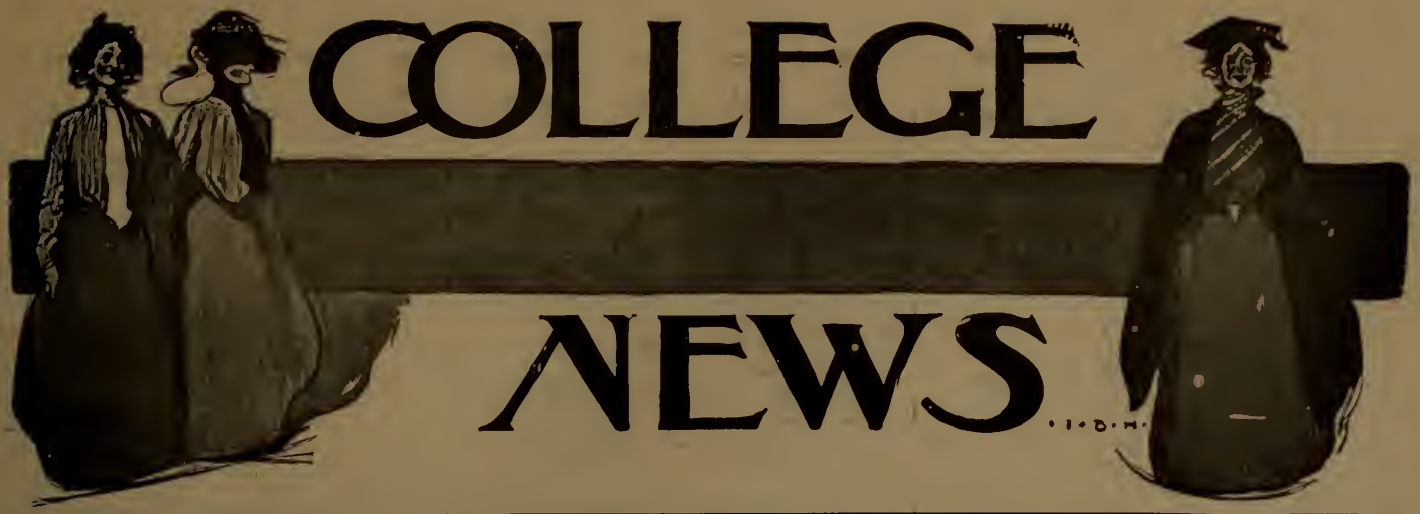

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Student Government Birthday.

The fifth anniversary of our Student Government Association was celebrated on Tuesday afternoon, March sixth, by a rousing mass meeting in College Hall Chapel.

Both students and Faculty attended in large numbers, and the atmosphere of the entire audience was most enthusiastic. The speakers for the afternoon were Dean Pendleton, Miss Davis, Mary Leavens, Sally Eustis and Mr. Hardy. The meeting opened with the singing of Alma Mater, and that in itself was inspiring,—the representative group on the platform, the seniors in cap and gown scattered through the audience, the older members of the Faculty, here and there, and the vigorous enthusiastic body of undergraduates—all singing Alma Mater, with all their hearts. Miss Eustis introduced first Mary Leavens, our "Mother of Student Government," and there was an uproar of applause which lasted for some minutes, before she could speak. Miss Leavens began by saying that the reason why an Alumna may presume to speak to undergraduates, and why they should listen, is that they have in common the love for their college and that the alumna has the advantage of distance in point of view, and of added experience, which enables her to see college life in a true perspective, adjusted to its natural place in the total of experiences. Miss Leavens compared the best love of college to love of one's country, and emphasized the value, as a preparation for citizenship, of being consciously self-governing. For the democratic, liberty-loving principles of our Student Government are closely akin, though on a miniature scale, to those of our nation. The real cause for that petition for Student Government, was the recognition of the individual's desire and need to work out her share in the government of the college. It was ennobled by an unspoken self-respect and there was no petty element of a desire on the part of the students to have their own little way. The petition was granted squarely though the trustees and Faculty could not know whether the responsibility would be taken—"lightly, indiscreetly perfunctorily or sanely and earnestly." They had faith however or they would never have granted it Miss Leavens then made a grave and thought-compelling indictment: "The question faces you today—How have you borne the test? The answer is to be found only in the sum of the honest confessions you make. Put the question to yourself: find what your relation is to this great though small system of government, and if you find it unlovely, resolve that you will make that relation right. Leave undone the things that weaken the life at Wellesley. Do the things that strengthen it and make it excellent The right interpretation of Student Government depends upon the true conception of life. It behooves each of us to remember that the one thing we must do is to move on with the rest of humanity, finding our place in the ranks, and letting, as some one has said—'the great forces, wise of old, have their full way with us. "A very humble interpretation of "noblesse oblige" should be our motto. It is because I believe Student Government to be one essential means of training students in college to live the larger human life, that I speak of the general subject here."

Miss Leavens went on to say that though Matthew Arnold warns the person seeking culture against the moral struggles of Hebraism, there is great danger in Hellenism. Handicapped by hereditary tendencies, weaknesses of will and moral and intellectual diseases, it is not safe to eliminate from college life that moral struggle which is conducive to moral earnestness.

"Let not your Student Government be a skillfully managed mechanism, but let it be vitalized by each one of you with purpose, with zeal and with faith."

Miss Leavens spoke very practically of our attitude toward our college neighbor. "Sometimes you have a diamond in the rough, and sometimes a real boor. Be patient with her in either case, and share unobtrusively with her your better judgment. In doing that sort of thing you live in a real Student Government." While Miss Leavens gives recognition to the harmfulness of the superficial, flighty, slangy girl in college life, she feels that the serious menace to our Student Government lies in the apathetic class. Indifference is the vital danger and must be done away by enthusiasm.

If this apathy is due to an overcrowded life—better to rearrange the system, even to the exclusion of some features, which, though good in themselves, are not essential to the general need of the college. The trouble, as Miss Leavens thinks back to her own college years "lays not so often in the nature of the things we did, as in the lack of judgment with which we entered into them." In her final appeal Miss Leavens said—"Enter unselfishly into the real meaning of student life; discover the true relation of the little duties of every day to the general life, and be patiently faithful in performing them; be rarely scornful, and flippant seldom; be honest in your response to the demands made on you by the institution; and be loyal to your Student Government by acting always as if you respected it by fulfiling its obligations. In doing these things you will come to the compelling and satisfying consciousness of your real need of the college, and of her real need of you."

Miss Eustis introduced Miss Pendleton as a member of the Faculty who had signed the Agreement. Miss Pendleton began her speech in a rather terrifying manner by quoting Lewis Caroll—"The time has come the walrus said, to speak of many things." But the "many things," while they were severe, and in some cases unpleasant, were softened by the fact which she reiterated, that she believes thoroughly in our Student Government, feels that we have made great progress, and believes that we are still trying, and fighting against the weakness of the flesh. Miss Pendleton emphasized our lack of present earnestness and efficiency, referred to such glaring and concrete examples as the special system of proctoring which had to be maintained during midyears, and impressed upon us the fact that there must come a change—that we must gain new enthusiasm, especially as there is always looming up the dread possibility of the withdrawal of our charter.

Miss Davis as the Head of Houses spoke of present conditions in the Halls of Residence. She emphasized the importance and responsibility of the position of Student House President, and said that though each had the sympathy, and whenever possible, the assistance of the Heads of Houses, she considered it a very trying position. This could be relieved to a great extent by a more automatic system of proctoring. If girls would only proctor themselves, if they would only remember themselves, and manifest some degree of the same refinement and restraint that they are accustomed to in their own homes, our House Presidents would not be overworked and the corridors of our Houses would cease to resemble either bowling-alleys or gymnasiums.

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Student Government Birthday.

Mr. Hardy spoke for the Board of Trustees. He referred to the warm commendation with which the petition for Student Government had been forwarded to the Board by the Faculty, and said that there had never been occasion for regretting the action. He likened our Government to the Russian system, where the charter can be withdrawn at any time when it seems necessary, but he assured us that he did not for a moment think that such a thing would ever come about.

Miss Helen Cook, 1905, Vice-President of the Association last year, spoke from the floor. She considered especially the the question of whether Student Government is worth while from the student officers' point of view and decided that it was, most emphatically. While the organizing and beginning in these five years has been an undertaking requiring an immense outlay of time, in some cases, that is now a thing of the past, and the field which remains to the officers lies in responsibility and executive work. These she considers as the most developing and broadening influences of her student life and she feels that they must prove so for any girl. She urged upon us the importance of lightening the officers' routine work as much as possible, by assuming our share of the responsibility and making it truly a co-operative Student Government.

Miss Carolyn Nelson, 1905, told a story of Bishop Gibson who, away down south, had been deeply impressed and gratified at hearing of our Self-Government, because of the splendid possibilities and results which he felt must spring from it.

Miss Marion Bosworth, 1907, urged the importance of having some definite rallying day, on which we should have brought home to us with especial keenness, the privilege which this Student Government of ours constitutes.

Miss Vena Batty, 1905, spoke of how in the early days of the Association the girls all said *Student* Government, with the emphasis of interest and attention on the student, but that as the years passed and the novelty wore off it had come to be Student *Government*, the main thought being the repressing and governing power of the Association. And she urged a return to the spirit of those early days which impelled the girls spontaneously and unconsciously to phrase it *Student* Government.

Although it was hoped that other students might have an opportunity to speak, the lateness of the hour made it impossible and Miss Eustis adjourned the meeting by reading letters from Miss Hughes, 1902; Miss Lord, 1903 and Miss Hutsinpillar, 1904. A letter from Miss Poynter, 1905, was on its way, but did not arrive in time. Then the audience rose and with an enthusiasm and earnestness, which it seemed, must promise well for the results of this stirring mass-meeting, they gave the long Wellesley cheer for Student Government and then for

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COLLEGE CALENDAR.

Wednesday, March 14, 4.20-5 P.M., recital in Billings Hall.
Thursday, March 15, regular mid-week prayer meeting of the Christian Association.
Saturday, March 17, at 3.20 P.M., in College Hall Chapel, address by Miss J. Augusta Briggs, principal of the Cambridge School of Nursing.
7.30 P.M., Denison House Play at the Barn.
Sunday, March 18, services in Houghton Memorial Chapel. Sermon by Rev. Rockwell H. Potter of Hartford, Conn.
7 P.M., address by Miss Jean Hamilton, Secretary of the National League of Women Workers at the invitation of the Wellesley Chapter of the College Settlements Association.
Monday, March 19, 3-6 P.M., at the Barn, entertainment given by the Alliance Francaise.
7.30 P.M., in College Hall Chapel, an address on Esperanto, by Mr. Edward H Harvey, Secretary of the Esperanto Society of America.
Tuesday, March 20, Lenten recital in the Memorial Chapel.
Wednesday, March 21, 4.20-5 P.M., recital in Billings Hall.

COLLEGE NOTES.

Miss Sherwood entertained the Graduate Club at her home on Abbott street, Wednesday evening, March 7.

On Thursday afternoon, March 8, Miss Dennison and the Faculty of Freedom gave the first of a series of Thursday Afternoon At Homes.

Thursday night, March 8, the Glee and Mandolin Clubs repeated the greater part of their concert before an over-crowded room at Denison House in Boston. The interest and appreciation of the audience made the clubs feel as if it was decidedly worth their extra effort and inconvenience.

Dr. Zwemer, who conducted the chapel service, Sunday morning, March 11, spoke again in the afternoon at a special service held in Billings Hall. His subject was "Islam in Arabia."

The members of the College enjoyed a very fine reading given by Mr. Samuel A. King, in College Hall Chapel, Monday evening, March 12. His program was as follows:

"Henry VIII," Act II, Scene I, Buckingham's Farewell.
"Romeo and Juliet," Act I, Scene IV, Queen Mab.
"Richard III," Act I, Scene IV, Clarence's Dream.
"Merchant of Venice," Act I, Scene III, scene between Shylock, Antonio and Bassanio.
"The Jackdaw of Rheims," by R. H. Barham.
"The Ballad of Lorraine," by Charles Kingsley.
"Hamlet," Act V, Scene I, part of graveyard scene.
"Julius Cæsar," Act III, Scene II, Mark Anthony.

The Pierian Sodality of Harvard will give a concert in the Barn on Monday evening, March 26, 1906, for the benefit of the Golf Club. Details concerning the sale of tickets will be posted later.

NOTICE.

The Cross Country Club will meet at the north gate, at 1.30 P.M., on Monday, March 19, for a tramp to Echo Bridge.

CORRECTION.

By an inadvertence, Dr. Gamble's paper, published in the July number of the *American Journal of Psychology*, on "Attention and Thoracic Breathing," was referred to in last week's issue as a compilation. It is the report of an investigation carried on during several years in the Wellesley College Laboratory of Experimental Psychology.

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MUSIC NOTES.

Wellesley music-lovers had the pleasure of listening to a very enjoyable concert given on the evening of March 5 by the Hoffmann Quartette. The soprano soloist who had been advertised to appear did not do so, on account of the shortage of the Concert Fund, due to insufficient patronage by the college public. Those, however, who have attended the series of artist recitals given this year are most enthusiastic in their appreciation of the kindness of the Music Department in making them possible.

The program rendered Monday night was as follows:

Quartette in E flat minor, Op. 30.....P. Tschaikowsky
I. Andante sostenuto—Allegro moderato—Andante sostenuto.
II. Allegro vivo e scherzando.
III. Andante funebre e doloroso, ma con moto.
IV. Finale. Allegro non troppo e risoluto.

Solo, violin:
Andante from violin concerto.....C. Goldmark
Hungarian Rhapsodie.....L. Auer
Mr. Hoffmann.

Quartette in F major, Op. 59, No. 1.....Beethoven
I. Allegro.
II. Allegretto vivace e sempre scherzando.
III. Molto adagio e mesto.
IV. Theme russe Allegro.

On the afternoon of Wednesday, March 7, Associate Professor Hamilton gave a pianoforte recital at Billings Hall, at which the following program was given:

Sonata, Op. 26.....Beethoven
Andante con variazioni.
Scherzo.
Marcia Funebre.
Allegro.
Mazurka in F sharp minor.....Chopin
Prelude in B flat major.....Chopin
Ballade in A minor.....Chopin
Humoreske.....Griege
Cradle Song.....Aus der Ohe
Minuet in C (by request).....Huss
Fantasie on "Lucrezia Borgia".....Liszt

Professor Macdougall gave the second of the series of Lenten Organ Recitals on the afternoon of March 13 at the Memorial Chapel. The program comprised the following numbers:

I. Suite in D, Op. 54.....Arthur Foote
I. Maestoso—Allegro energico.
II. Quasi menuetto.
III. Improvisation—Andantino espressivo.
IV. Allegro comodo.
II. Requiem Aeternam, Op. 15, No. 5.....Basil Harwood
In Paradisum.....T. Dubois
Toccata in B minor, Op. 40.....Edouard Batiste

The next recital will be given on Tuesday, March 20, at 4.20 P.M., in the Memorial Chapel.

Mr. Hamilton and Miss Torrey of our Music Department go to Smith College to give a recital on Monday, March 12, 1906. Mr. Storey and Miss Holmes of the Smith Music Department will give a recital in Billings Hall, Monday, May 7, 1906.

THEATRE NOTES.

COLONIAL—Richard Mansfield in Repertoire.
HOLLIS—Eleanor Robson in "Merely Mary Ann."
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When the island was turned over to our government, a new policy was inaugurated under the guidance of the medical officers of the United States Navy, stationed in Guam. These true missionaries have cared for the sick natives in their homes, going to them day and night at call, and since 1902 have had a small hospital of two wards, where United States soldiers and native men can be properly cared for, and where a large number of out-patients come regularly for aid and medical attention.

Until about a year ago, however, there was no place in the island where a single woman or child could receive proper care in serious illness. As a result an appalling proportion (about a third) of new-born babies and their mothers die, simply from unsanitary conditions and lack of any place where the simplest operations can be performed with any hope of freedom from infection and blood-poisoning.

The Chamorro house of the lower class is practically a one-roomed affair. Across one end a light partition is thrown, forming a sort of alcove, where the one bed is placed. Usually the father and mother of the family occupy that alcove, but children, aunts, sisters, brothers, cousins, grandparents, sometimes to the number of twenty, sleep on mats on the floor of the small outer room, from which all night air is most rigorously excluded. In these houses the most terribly unsanitary conditions prevail, together with the most absolute ignorance of their significance and dangers. The water, for example, which sick and well alike must use for both drinking and washing, is poisoned from shallow wells into which sweeps the drainage of foul grounds. As yet all appeals to the Home Government for the fifty thousand dollars necessary to give a drainage system to the town of Agana (where seven thousand out of the eleven thousand islanders live) have been vain. Such are the conditions.

About a year ago, the united efforts of the Island Government, the medical officers of the Naval Station, and the American women in Guam, under the leadership of the wife of the governor, succeeded in establishing a small hospital of twelve beds for women and children.

The medical officers of the station give their services, the wife of one of these officers, herself a trained nurse, has undertaken the training of a corps of native nurses (a calling for which the native women show much aptitude) and the native inhabitants are giving what help they can in the way of supplying food, etc., for the nurses and patients. But for the proper equipment of the hospital, surgical instruments, etc., and for money to run it, help must be had from outside, and it is hoped that the Wellesley girls will wish to lend a hand.

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About seven hundred and fifty copies of Persephone, half the edition, have been sold. Of the proceeds, four hundred dollars have gone into the Library Fund,—by way of the Alumnæ Endowment Fund,—the rest being reserved toward expenses. The volume is still on sale at the College bookstore, at the corner drugstore and at Miss Currier's in the Village, and by its publisher, Miss Helen L. Sanborn.

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ALUMNÆ NOTES.

In addition to notes concerning graduates, the Alumnæ Column will contain items of interest about members of the Faculty, past and present, and former students.

Associate Professor Scudder, with her mother, sailed the last of February for Genoa. Miss Scudder expects to spend several months in Siena, engaged in writing.

Mrs. Ada Wing Mead, 1886, and Mrs. Emily Meader Easton, 1891, the President and Vice-president of the Alumnæ Association, have recently spent several days at Wellesley, making arrangements for the meeting of the Association at Commencement.

"The Three Fates," a story by Miss Florence Converse, 1893, which appeared in the Atlantic for September, 1905, has been dramatized by the author and was recently presented at Hull House. The story was recast in dramatic form at the wish of Miss Addams and her associates at Hull House, who felt that it contained a message for the working people. Some extracts from the very appreciative notices given the play in the Chicago papers will be made in the Magazine.

Mrs. Lucia Gale Barber announces a reading at The Tuileries, 270 Commonwealth avenue, Boston, March twentieth, when she will give "The Clouds of the Sun," a poetic drama by Miss Isabella Howe Fiske, 1906.

An interesting short article, "Geography and 'College English,'" by Dr. Martha Hale Shackford, 1896, appeared in the February number of Education. Dr. Shackford's concrete illustrations of the correlation possible between geography and "College English" will be very suggestive to the teacher of English in secondary schools.

The Managing Editors of the NEWS and Magazine request those of the Alumnæ who have not already paid their subscription to send the amount due as soon as possible. An effort is being made to settle the accounts of the board at an early date, and the help of each Alumna subscriber will be appreciated.

The delegates from Wellesley to the International Convention of the Student Volunteer movement had the pleasure of meeting at Nashville, Miss L. W. Johnson, 1879-1882, President of the Western College, Oxford, Ohio; Miss Lillian H. Bruce, 1903; Miss Myra B. Fishback, 1904; Miss Clara Bruce, 1905; Miss Juliet Poynter, 1905; Miss Bertha Scott, formerly of 1908. At Hampton, a call was made on Miss Myrtilla J. Sherman, 1879, who has been at Hampton Institute since leaving Wellesley.

ENGAGEMENTS.

Miss Josephine Preston Peabody, instructor in English literature, 1901-1903, to Mr. Lionel S. Marks, Associate Professor of Engineering, Harvard University.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Walker, formerly 1904, to the Reverend Manford W. Schuh, Franklin, 1896.

MARRIAGES.

SKINNER—GREEN. At Jamestown, New York, January 8, 1906, Miss Clara Louise Green, 1904, to Mr. Milton Philo Skinner of Summerville, South Carolina. At home after February 15, at Summerville, South Carolina.

BIRTHS.

February 19, 1906, a son, to Mrs. Ruth Clark Bunker, 1892-1893.

December 11, 1905, a son, Holden Morrison, to Mrs May Keepers Le Roy, 1900.

DEATHS.

In Baltimore, Maryland, March 3, 1896, Mabel Wells, 1896.

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The Nashville Student Volunteer Convention.

On Saturday afternoon, February 24, the Wellesley delegation to the Student Volunteer Convention left for Nashville. The Ontario, the newest and largest ship of the Merchants' and Miners' Line, carried us from Boston to Norfolk, together with the Harvard delegation, and several small parties of representatives from smaller colleges. The trip was a pleasant one; but the most enjoyable part of it was the day spent in Chattanooga, Tennessee, a twenty-four hours' rail journey from Norfolk. Here we visited the scenes of the well-known and bloody battle of Chickamauga, and ascended Lookout Mountain, from the summit of which seven states can be seen on a clear day. On Wednesday, February 28, we arrived in Nashville, and received our assignments, most of us to homes where we were received with proverbial Southern hospitality and delightful cordiality.

On Wednesday afternoon, the first session of the great conference took place. It was held in the Ryman Auditorium, a large, semi-circular hall with wonderful acoustic properties and a seating capacity of between four and five thousand. When filled for this first great mass meeting, it presented a sight impressive in the extreme. From every state and territory in the Union and from every province in Canada, were gathered representatives of the educated youth of this continent to participate in one of the greatest movements of the age. On the platform were seated many of the most prominent leaders of Protestant missionary work of to-day, representatives from almost every country to which the Gospel of Christ has been carried. At the back of this platform, facing the audience, was suspended a large map showing the religions of the world and the progress of evangelization, and above it, in large black letters, the words which form the motto and describe the purpose of the Student Volunteer Movement: "The Evangelization of the World in this Generation." Across the ceiling were suspended streamers of red, white and blue, while around the balcony railing were draped the flags of the many nations of Orient and Occident, in which the work of evangelization has begun. Even in the decorations the keynote of the whole conference was forcibly struck—the sense of the magnificent enthusiasm for world-wide brotherhood and fellowship which was the impelling power of the convention

The meeting was opened with the utmost simplicity, without preliminary form or ceremony. Five thousand voices joined in the old and stirring hymn, "All hail the power of Jesus' name," and then, after the Scripture reading and prayer, John R. Mott, Chairman of the Executive Board of the Student Volunteer Movement, who presided at all the mass-meetings, delivered an address. He spoke of the vastness of the movement for which the convention stands, explained its ideals and its motto, and emphasized the need for individual purity and earnestness in this opening hour. He was followed by Robert E. Speer, Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, well-known to Wellesley audiences. Mr. Speer followed the same line of thought, making an earnest and very impressive appeal for missionary interest and activity among the student body.

The evening conference, held again in the Auditorium, began the real business of the convention—the presentation of facts concerning missionary opportunities, needs, and ideals, "single facts to shake Christian nations," to quote Mr. Mott. Dr. George Robson of Edinburgh, Moderator of the United Free Church of Scotland, delivered an address on the subject, "The Presentation of Christ to all Mankind the Supreme Business of the Church." The next speaker was J. Campbell White of Toronto, Canada, one of the Secretaries of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, who spoke of the dreadful and immediate need among the non-Christian peoples—men and women who live in degradation and misery and die, one every second told by the watch, without hope of release,—the particular need for "fresh lives and young hopes, combined with God's maturity of purpose."

Thursday morning's meeting, held in the Auditorium, emphasized the world-wide character of the Student Volunteer Movement. Mr. Mott first read the report of the Executive Committee for the year 1906; the next speaker, Dr. Karl Fries, of the University of Upsala, Sweden, gave some interest-

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ing facts on the Volunteer Movement in European Universities. Wilhelm Gundert, of the University of Tubingen, Germany, spoke of the progress the movement has made in that country; a report from Great Britain on the work and interest there was given by G. T. Manley, Fellow of Christ's College, Cambridge; Miss Una M. Saunders, who is to speak later in the year at Wellesley, voiced the need of women in foreign fields, and Mr. W. V. Helm, of Japan, home upon his first furlough, spoke briefly on the situation in Japan.

During the afternoon sectional conferences were held in many of the churches of Nashville, each treating some particular field, the work done there and the special needs of the people. Thursday evening a particularly impressive ceremony was made a part of the program. After an address by Bishop Gailor of Tennessee, Robert E Speer spoke in a convincing manner on "The Inadequacy of the Non-Christian Religions to Meet the Needs of Men," answering with irrefutable logic and impressive earnestness one of the commonest objections to foreign missions. After this address, a remarkable offering of subscriptions was taken up, the audience continuing all the while in silent prayer; the pledges, each for a stated amount to be paid for the next four years, varied from one dollar to three thousand dollars annual subscription,—the total reached nearly ninety thousand dollars.

Friday morning's conference was of a very practical character; speakers from England and Scotland as well as from all parts of America, treated various sides of the general subject—the requisites of a missionary—taking up the physical, intellectual and spiritual equipment needed for success in foreign fields. Friday afternoon's sectional conferences were concerned with different phases of mission work—principally what is accomplished by the educational, medical and evangelistic methods.

Friday evening's mass meeting was from one point of view unusually interesting; it showed with great force how the whole world had been laid under requisition to find the most effective and authoritative speakers on each phase of the subject. Sir Mortimer Durand, the British Ambassador, gave the views of a great diplomat, endorsing the Volunteer Movement; Gen. John W. Foster, formerly Secretary of State, spoke along the same line, and J. A. MacDonald, editor of the Toronto Globe, made a stirring address on the attitude of the press toward so vital a part of contemporary religious life.

Saturday morning's session treated the necessity of faithful and enthusiastic support from the home base of supplies, and the relation of minister and layman to it. Saturday afternoon's section meetings treated foreign missions from the sectarian point of view, reporting the work done by each board Saturday evening's conference presented with compelling force the unprecedented opportunities of the present day in every unevangelized field; and it drove home to each individual the vital need for all possible support,—for life itself, in the great work of carrying the Gospel to all the world.

Sunday morning the delegates assembled in the Auditorium again, and addresses were delivered by Bishop Thoburn of Calcutta, a worker in Africa for forty-seven years, and by Bishop McDowell of Chicago. In the afternoon a final appeal was made to each delegate to consider once more the question, "Why should I not go to the foreign field?" A compelling emphasis was placed upon the "not"; no less was the individual force felt by the emphasis upon the pronoun. There was not a delegate among the five thousand who did not consider the matter earnestly and prayerfully and think it through to the end.

The last session of the great conference was devoted partly to the reading of the honor-roll—the names of volunteers who have died since the Toronto convention four years ago, and to the reading of cablegrams of greeting from many foreign fields. Then all the volunteers under appointment to sail before the end of this year were requested to stand, and each one of the one hundred odd told in a sentence the field to which he was going and why he went. A more impressive ceremony, through its very simplicity, cannot be imagined. Robert E. Speer delivered the closing address, making a final very brief appeal, and with the five thousand earnest voices singing the Lutheran Battle Hymn, "A Mighty Fortress is our God," the great convention ended.

Too much can hardly be said for the way in which the convention was conducted; the question of the service of Christ in the foreign field was driven home to each person, but there was no working upon the emotions. Appeals were made to the best thoughts and noblest ideals of each heart; but each individual was left to think the matter through for himself and to determine for himself his relation to the great work of "The Evangelization of the World in this Generation." G. D.

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A MEETING OF THE CONSUMERS' LEAGUE.

A meeting of the National Consumers' League was held in Steinert Hall, Boston, Tuesday evening, March 6, at 8 o'clock Addresses were made by John Graham Brooks, the President of the League, Mrs. Frederick Nathan and Mrs. Florence Kelley of New York, and Mr. Lovejoy.

Mr. Lovejoy stated that the United States contained the largest army of wage-earning children ever produced by any civilization, and this population is increasing. At present there is a bill being introduced asking for a National Labor Bureau for children. Why should not the little children be protected as scrupulously as are our forests, rivers and beds of lobsters along the coast of Massachusetts?

In giving the objects, they said that primarily the League sought to secure the manufacture of goods under proper conditions. This is accomplished by the personal responsibility of each member. It is only when the public, the consumers, demand goods made under proper conditions that such goods will be placed upon the market.

DENISON HOUSE PLAY.

The boys from Denison House, the Boston Settlement, are coming to Wellesley this Saturday night, March 17 (St. Patrick's Day) to present "The Merchant of Venice" at the Barn For the first time in the history of the club "Denison House girls" are going to take the women's parts in the play and this promises to add unusual interest. Last Thursday night at Denison House, I was introduced to the boys by their stage names, "Mr. Shylock," "Mr. Shylock's friend" and "Mr. Launcelot Gobbo," etc., and soon found out in talking with them that their anticipated visit to Wellesley on the 17th is looked upon by them as the great event of the year.

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SILVER BAY NOTICE.

On the Christian Association Bulletin board there is now posted a notice requesting all those to sign who wish to go to the Silver Bay Conference this June. We all are enthusiastic about the Nashville Conference. Here is an opportunity open to go to a conference smaller but equally inspiring. Shall we let it pass by? C. J.